# GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROJECT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JULY 1, 2002

- 1. Attendance See Attendance Sheet attachment.
- 2. Review and Acceptance of June 3, 2002 meeting minutes.

ACTION: Mr. Mitch Novick reviewed the minutes and asked that the spelling of his name be corrected. A motion to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2002 Committee meeting was made by Mr. Leonard Wein, and seconded by Mr. Marty Hyman. The motion passed.

## 3. Project Status Report

Ms. Amy Rabin wanted to know why the Alton Road and 20<sup>th</sup> Street project had been finished in three days and then torn up again and asked if it would be redone. Mr. Hemstreet responded he would research the answer and get back to her.

Ms. Sherri Krassner commented that the Alton Road Corridor Enhancement Project Status description had an error and should be clarified. She wanted to know where the semi-diverter was located. Mr. Hemstreet responded it would be addressed and corrected.

Mr. Hyman wanted to know what the status was of the Change Order #1 for North Shore Park and Youth Center that was discussed at the last G.O Bond Oversight Committee meeting. Mr. Nestor Fernandez, Project Manager from URS, responded that the Change Order was approved and ongoing and they have located underground utilities.

Mr. Hyman wanted to know who was doing the inspections of the project in the field. Mr. Fernandez responded that a URS inspector, and a City of Miami Beach inspector is sent out to each project.

Mr. Hemstreet commented that the construction contingency for the North Shore Park & Youth Center was 5% not 10%.

Mr. Novick wanted to know what the status was on the debarment action. Mr. Hemstreet responded that an independent attorney was preparing a draft report of the action.

### 4. Flamingo/Lummus BODR

Mr. Hemstreet informed the Committee that the Basis of Design Report on the Flamingo/Lummus project would be presented by Barbara Faga and Cesar Garcia-Pons from EDAW, for the Committee's approval and then if recommended the approval of the Commission.

The improvements being considered for Flamingo/Lummus Neighborhood Right-of-Way were reviewed with the Committee. The improvements were also further described in the Basis of Design Report distributed to the Committee.

Mr. Mallory Porter, a resident at 915 Jefferson Avenue, voiced his concerns stating that many residents in the area were against curbside angle parking on Pennsylvania Avenue. He added that the other concern he had was the proposed walkway along 14<sup>th</sup> Street with no stoplights, which is very dangerous.

Mr. Garcia-Pons explained that there was an error in the design report on Page 15, Appendix B, and that it should be corrected. There is no curbside angle parking on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Another resident of Royal Palm Avenue stated that the residents were very happy the neighborhood would be improved. He explained that Drexel Avenue was very important for businesses in the area.

Mr. Marlo Courtney of the Ocean Drive Association and Golden Properties voiced concerns about the level of lighting on Ocean Drive and whether or not the project involved this area. He also said he was concerned about the safety of the visitors and residents in the area of Ocean Drive.

Mr. Garcia-Pons explained that all the east to west streets in that area are receiving at some level, pedestrian streetlights. He added that Ocean Court would receive improved lighting and that Lennox and 8<sup>th</sup> Street would receive Traffic Calming improvements. Mr. Hemstreet explained that Ocean Drive was not part of the Flamingo/Lummus Project.

Mayor David Dermer explained that the GO Bond Oversight Committee was not the place to bring up concerns on crime on Ocean Drive. He added that crime was down 9½ % on Miami Beach.

Mr. Marty Hyman wanted to know if Ocean Court would be reduced in some way. Mr. Garcia-Pons responded that it would only be resurfaced with new catch basins.

Mr. Leonard Wein commented on how well EDAW had presented the BODR.

Ms. Kathryn Sly, representing a resident of Ocean Drive, commented that she was also concerned about how dangerous and dark Ocean Drive was. She added that something should be done with the lighting for the safety of the visitors and residents. She also wanted to know if Ocean Drive was part of the GO Bond improvements. Mayor Dermer explained that the issues she was concerned about should be brought up with Mr. Hemstreet. He added that Ocean Drive was not part of the GO Bond improvements.

Mr. Mike Rotbart wanted to know if several intersections in that area would have the high tide water addressed. Mr. Garcia-Pons responded that some wells with flaps would be installed and this would help in correcting stormwater to be released back into the bay.

ACTION:

Mr. Larry Herrup made a motion to recommend that the City Commission approve the Basis of Design Report for Flamingo/Lummus. Mr. Frank Del Vecchio seconded the motion. The motion passed

#### 5. Informational Items

- (A) The Updated Calendar of Scheduled Community Design Workshops was provided to the Committee.
- (B) 10<sup>th</sup> Street Auditorium Master Plan

Mr. Hemstreet reported that the City of Miami Beach had hired STA Architects to do the Master Plan for the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Auditorium and Beach Patrol. The Master Plan was presented by Consultant Todd Tragash of STA. A copy of the master plan was distributed for the Committee's review.

Mr. Hemstreet reported that in order to make the necessary improvements, approval of the master plan would require the identification of significant additional funding for the project.

(C) Proposed 10<sup>th</sup> Street Auditorium Roof and HVAC System Improvements

The Committee was told about the proposed improvements for the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Auditorium Roof and HVAC System and the historic significance of the project renovation. The auditorium has been leased by the City to the Miami Design Preservation League and the City is responsible for maintenance items, including a functioning air conditioning system and a watertight roof. There have been new leaks and the air-conditioning system constantly stops working.

The total cost for the roof and HVAC improvements is estimated to be \$380,000. GO Bond funding will be used to make these improvements.

## (D) Flamingo Park RFQ for A/E Services

The Committee was informed that the Commission approved the issuance of an RFQ for the Flamingo Park project.

(E) Bayshore CDW #3 Report.

The Committee was presented with a report on the third Community Design Workshop for the Bayshore Neighborhood.

(F) Marseille Drive Streetscape Project – CDBG Funding Reallocation

The Committee was provided with a report of the reallocation of the CDBG funds that were originally intended for the Marseille Drive Streetscape project. Mr. Rotbart inquired as to where those funds were actually spent, because the planned landscaping and lighting improvements were not done.

## 6. Change Orders

The Change Order Report was presented and reviewed.

ACTION:

Mr. Rotbart made a motion to recommend that the Change Orders in the Change Order Report that relate to the North Shore Youth Center should be distinguished from other change orders in the North Shore Park and Youth Center Project. Mr. Leonard Wein seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

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